

SCHOHARIE COUNTY CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION

Class Title: **SCHOOL BUS DRIVER**

Jurisdictional Class: **Non-Competitive**
Date Adopted: **3/12/75**
Date Revised: **10//97; 10/98; 11/03; 2/06**
Jurisdictions: **Schools**

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is manual work of average difficulty requiring skill in the operation of a large automotive vehicle or mini-van. The operator is responsible for the safety and conduct of the children who are passengers. The work is performed under general supervision with considerable leeway allowed the operator in carrying out the details of the work. Does related work as required.

EXAMPLES OF WORK: (Illustrative only)

Operates a school bus on a regular schedule or on special occasions;
Checks the operating condition of the bus before starting on a trip;
Reports any operation defect to immediate superior;
Informs children about safety practices;
Maintains orderly conduct of children on bus;
Keeps interior and exterior of vehicle clean and neat;
May be required to operate a station wagon or other similar vehicle;
May be required to perform minor maintenance tasks on the vehicle;
Maintains records of mileage, routes, times and incidents;
Prepares and maintains maps of routes and pick-up points.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL

CHARACTERISTICS: Good knowledge of driving safety practices and traffic laws and regulations; ability to operate a bus under difficult driving and road conditions; ability to make minor repairs to the vehicle; ability to understand and follow simple oral and written directions; ability to get along well with children and command their respect; mechanical aptitude; mental alertness; dependability; good physical condition.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

- (1) Possession of an appropriate level NYS Commercial Driver's License (CDL) at the time of appointment with an endorsement of "S" (school bus); **and**
- (2) Must be at least 21 years of age.

NOTE: In addition, candidates must satisfy the requirements for School Bus Driver set forth in the Rules and Regulations of the New York State Commissioners of Education.